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Jeff S. Eder ) Examiner: Rebecca Bachner  
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Serial No. 09/761,671 ) Art Unit: 2163  
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Filed: January 18, 2001 )  
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For: A DETAILED METHOD OF AND )  
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-referenced application, the Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to enter the following amendments.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

On page 40 please change the last paragraph on the page (that continues on to page 41) to read as shown below. A marked up version of the original paragraph is shown on page 3.